Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:
- a compiler to generate object code from a computer program;
- a code optimizer to optimize the object code generated by the compiler, the code optimizer including a first device to formulate regions, a second device to select initial regions from the formulated regions, a third device to apply code motion, a fourth device to apply tail duplication to separate reusable instructions after selection of initial regions, and a fifth device to compute UEU(E,R) and DED(X,R), wherein UEU(E,R) represents a number of upward exposed registers at a main entry E of a region R that are used in the region R and DED(X,R) represents a number of downward exposed registers at a main exit X of the region R that are defined in the region R;
 - a memory to store the compiler and the code optimizer; and
- a central processing unit (CPU) cooperatively connected to the memory to execute the compiler and the code optimizer.
- 2. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the second device selects initial regions by selecting sub-control flow graphs as regions such that the region starts execution mostly at the main entry and completes mostly at the main exit.
- 3. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the fifth device computes UEU(E,R) and DED(X,R) using local information from the region R.
- 4. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the third device applies code motion by moving instructions outside the region R into the region R.

- 5. (Original) The system of claim 4, wherein the third device moves instructions outside of the region R into the main entry E and the main exit X of the region R.
- 6. (Original) The system of claim 5, wherein the third device moves instructions outside of the region R into the main entry E and the main exit X of the region R, and later moves the instructions from the main entry E and the main exit X of the region R to other places inside the region R.
- 7. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the fourth device applies tail duplication to separate reusable instructions executed along a side entry after selection of initial regions.
- 8. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the fourth device applies tail duplication during application of code motion.
 - 9. (Currently Amended) A method comprising: selecting initial regions based on completion probabilities;

computing UEU(E,R) and DED(X,R), wherein UEU(E,R) represents a number of upward exposed registers at a main entry E of a region R that are used in the region R and DED(X,R) represents a number of downward exposed registers at a main exit X of the region R that are defined in the region R;

applying code motion; and

applying tail duplication to separate reusable instructions after selection of initial regions,.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the selecting initial regions includes selecting sub-control flow graphs as regions such that the region starts execution mostly at the main entry and completes mostly at the main exit.

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- 11. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the computing UEU(E,R) and DED(X,R) is performed using local information from the region R.
- 12. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the applying code motion includes moving instructions outside the region R into the region R.
- 13. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein the moving instructions outside the region R into the region R includes moving instructions outside of the region R into the main entry E and the main exit X of the region R.
- 14. (Original) The method of claim 13, wherein the moving instructions outside of the region R into the region R further includes moving instructions from the main entry E and the main exit X of the region R to other places inside the region R.
- 15. (Original) The method of claim 9, further comprises applying tail duplication to separate reusable instructions executed along a side entry after selection of initial regions.
- 16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim <u>9</u>1, further comprises applying tail duplication during application of code motion.
- 17. (Currently Amended) A machine-readable medium comprising instructions which, when executed by a machine, cause the machine to perform operations comprising: selecting initial regions based on completion probabilities;

computing UEU(E,R) and DED(X,R), wherein UEU(E,R) represents a number of upward exposed registers at a main entry E of a region R that are used in the region R and DED(X,R) represents a number of downward exposed registers at a main exit X of the region R that are defined in the region R;

applying code motion; and applying tail duplication.

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